



Second Grade Newsletter

November 11, 2016

Veterans' Day

Important Dates

Please remember to look at the school website for important dates and events going on in the school district.

There is a new category on my Weebly page which includes photos of "My Smarties in Action." If you don't know how to access my web page, please let me know. I will be posting photos of "Mr. Bill Harris's Amazing Experiments!"

Classroom News



I want to say, "Thank You" to all Veterans on this very Special Day for sacrificing your lives and families to protect our country and preserve our freedom and independence. I am honored to say, I have the highest respect for all Veterans!" Our Veterans' Day Program was awesome and will continue to be in the years to come.

We were very fortunate to have Mr. Bill Harris come to our school and conduct amazing, hands on experiments with electricity and magnetism to our second graders. He provided a wealth of knowledge to the students on the dangers of electricity, what electricity is and how it travels. He was able to take his knowledge and break it down to a second grade level. The students were wonderful listeners and participators. I am sure most went home and told you about their experiences. Hopefully, when you asked what he/she learned in school the answer wasn't "Nothing!"

Agenda Books

Students are responsible for filling out their agenda book and taking it home daily to be signed. This is a great communication tool to let you know what we worked on during the day, if your child has homework to be completed, or a note of concern.



Literacy Tips: Have students practice their spelling in clay, using magnetic letters, or typing them on a computer. Read with your child daily to ensure he/she is being fluent and understanding what is being read. Reading books and/or library books should be coming home to practice reading daily.

Math Tips: All students have been added to a new math program call "front row." Students can access the program from home and continue where they left off. The classroom code is 3s3trg. This is a great way to work on all skills learned thus far and MATH FACTS!

All students need to work on addition and subtraction facts.



Spelling Words to Practice:

Long O Words

ow: grow mow bowl

oa: toast foam soap

oe: toe goes

o: told most

Review:

light mind

High-Frequency:

began anything everyone



Reading Vocabulary

- 1.** Collectors: people who gather a certain type of object
- 2.** Clever: smart and learns quickly
- 3.** Double: twice as much
- 4.** Reward: to give someone a gift or honor because he or she did something well
- 5.** Store: to put something away so you can use it later



What We're Learning

Reading: **Book Clubs** Leveled reader books - Students will test their comprehension by taking an AR Test after their book is finished. We will also work on story elements.

Reading story: **One Slippery Fish** pgs. 250-251

One Grain of Rice- Folktale pgs.252-277

Phonics/Spelling: o, ow, oa, oe patterns

Grammar: Abbreviations, singular and plural nouns

Math: Chapter 4 Subtraction with regrouping—Many students are struggling with this concept and will be taking home extra practice sheets. Please work with your child to ensure they have the proper procedures down. I gave them riddles to use to help them with the process.

Writing: Mechanics-sentence structure

Narrative: What I want to be when I grow up

Journal Writing

Science: Electricity and magnetism review

Social Studies: Communities/Workers

Computers: Type to Learn, Accelerated Math, Math Facts in a Flash, and Accelerated Reading & front row



Important Information

Please remind your child to have all the necessary materials in class daily. Reading book, agenda book, AR books, glasses (if needed), homework to be returned.etc.